What Will Your Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant Accomplish?

Lessons from Pittsburgh, PA

Choice Neighborhoods
FY2014 Planning Grantee Convening
Wednesday, April 15, 9:00 - 10:30 AM
Panelists

- **Frank Farrow**, Director, Center for the Study of Social Policy, (Facilitator)
- **Jessica Smith Perry**, Assistant Director of Housing, URA of Pittsburgh
- **Malik Bankston**, Executive Director, Kingsley Association
- **Donna Jackson**, Treasurer, Larimer Consensus Group
- **Carolyn Peeks**, Chair, Larimer Consensus Group
- **Pat Clark**, Jackson/Clark Partners
- **Kelley Gulley**, Director of Portfolio Management, Strive Foundation
- **Pamela Lawrence**, Choice Neighborhoods, HUD
Pittsburgh’s Choice Neighborhood: Larimer/East Liberty

- Population decline/disinvestment over the past 5 decades
- 2,400 residents, ¼ of whom are over the age of 65
- Approximately 700 vacant lots
- Choice Neighborhoods plan is transforming Hamilton-Larimer Housing, with 28 units of public housing, and East Liberty Gardens, with 127 units of HUD-assisted housing, to a 334-unit mixed-income development
Larimer/East Liberty Community Groups & Organizations

- East Liberty Concerned Citizens Corporation
- Larimer Consensus Group
- The Kingsley Association
- KEEL
  - The Kingsley Association
  - East Liberty Housing Incorporated
  - East Liberty Development Incorporated
  - The LCG
1998
THE LARIMER COMMUNITY PLAN
Ms. Ora Lee Carroll and East Liberty Concerned Citizens facilitated by Steven Hawking

2008
UPDATED LARIMER COMMUNITY PLAN
East Liberty Concerned Citizens and the Kingsley Association funded by the URA facilitated by Jackson/Clark Partners

2010
LARIMER VISION PLAN
Larimer Consensus Group funded by the URA & CDCP facilitated by STRADA

2012
LARIMER VISION TO ACTION PLAN
Includes Choice Neighborhoods Planning funded by the HACP

2013 and beyond
IMPLEMENTATION

Taking a stand
Getting organized for action
Setting a shared vision
Defining what we want & finding the resources we need
Making it happen

Vision to Action Plan
Choice Neighborhoods Grant Application

https://larimerplan.wordpress.com/planning/
Questions for the Panelists?